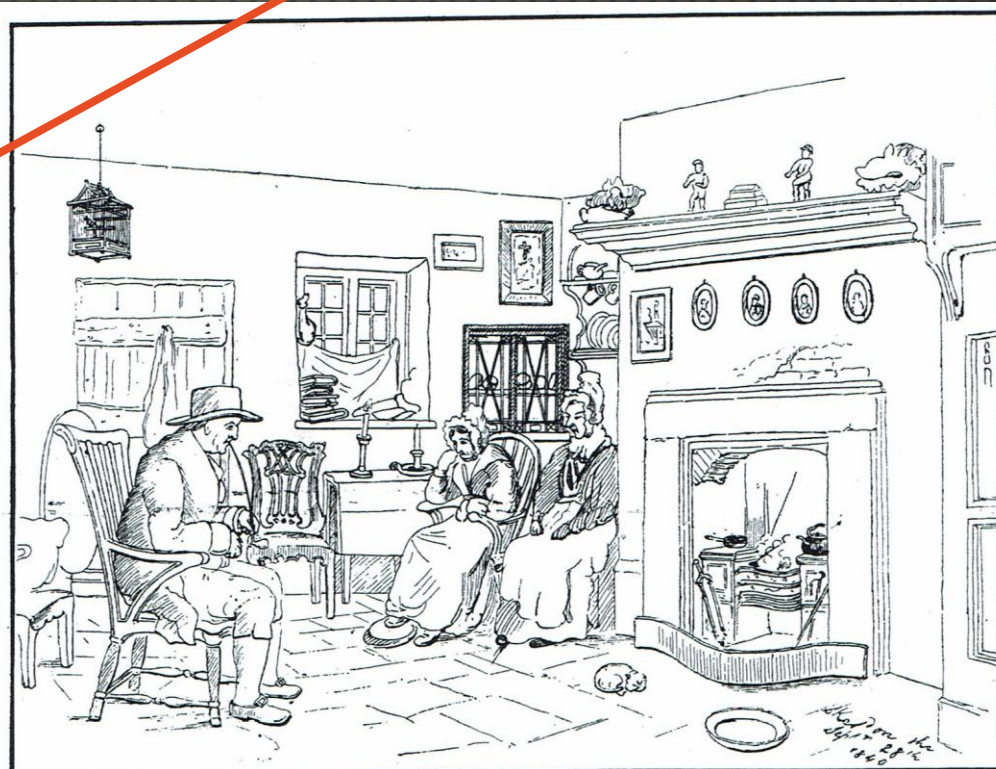
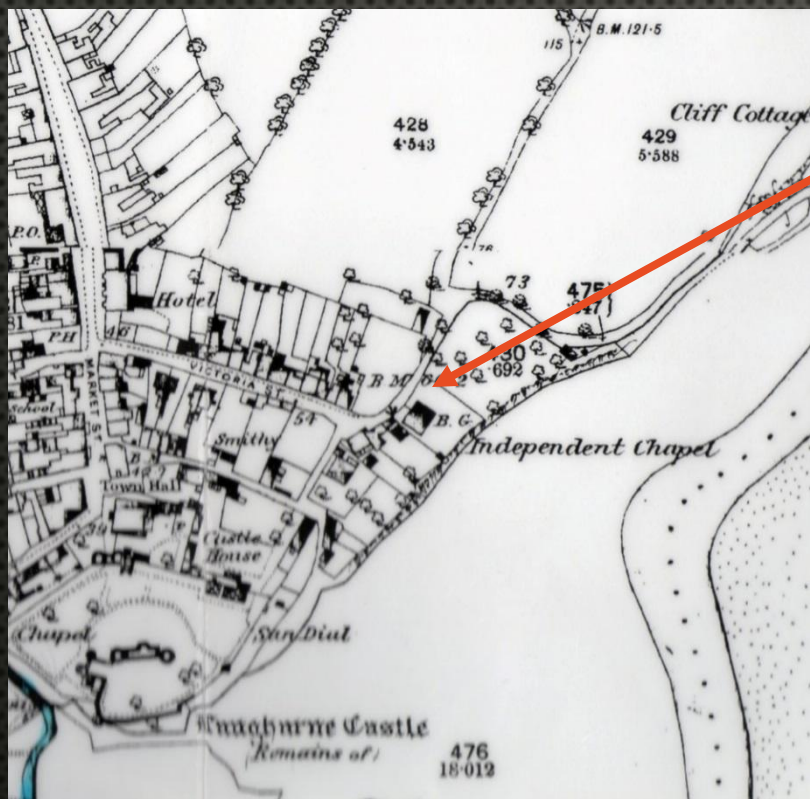


OLD CLIFF 'PROVIDENCE' CHAPEL, LAUGHARNE

(Quaker - Congregationist)

This site first had a meeting house for the Society of Friends (Quakers). It is shown on the 1842 Tithe Map as 'Old Quakers Chapel and yard'. But by this time it was used as a dwelling house, and the interior was sketched in 1840 (see below). The sketch was owned by William Jeremy, one time recorder of Laugharne Corporation.



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Old cliff chapel,
laugharne (cont,)

(Quaker - Congregationist)

The Quaker cottage was owned by the Ringer family. William Ringer is believed to have been a Quaker associated with a tobacco factory in Bristol and then moved to live in Woodbine Cottage, Church Street. Woodbine cigarettes are believed to be named after the cottage. A memorial to him and his wife is in St Martin's church.

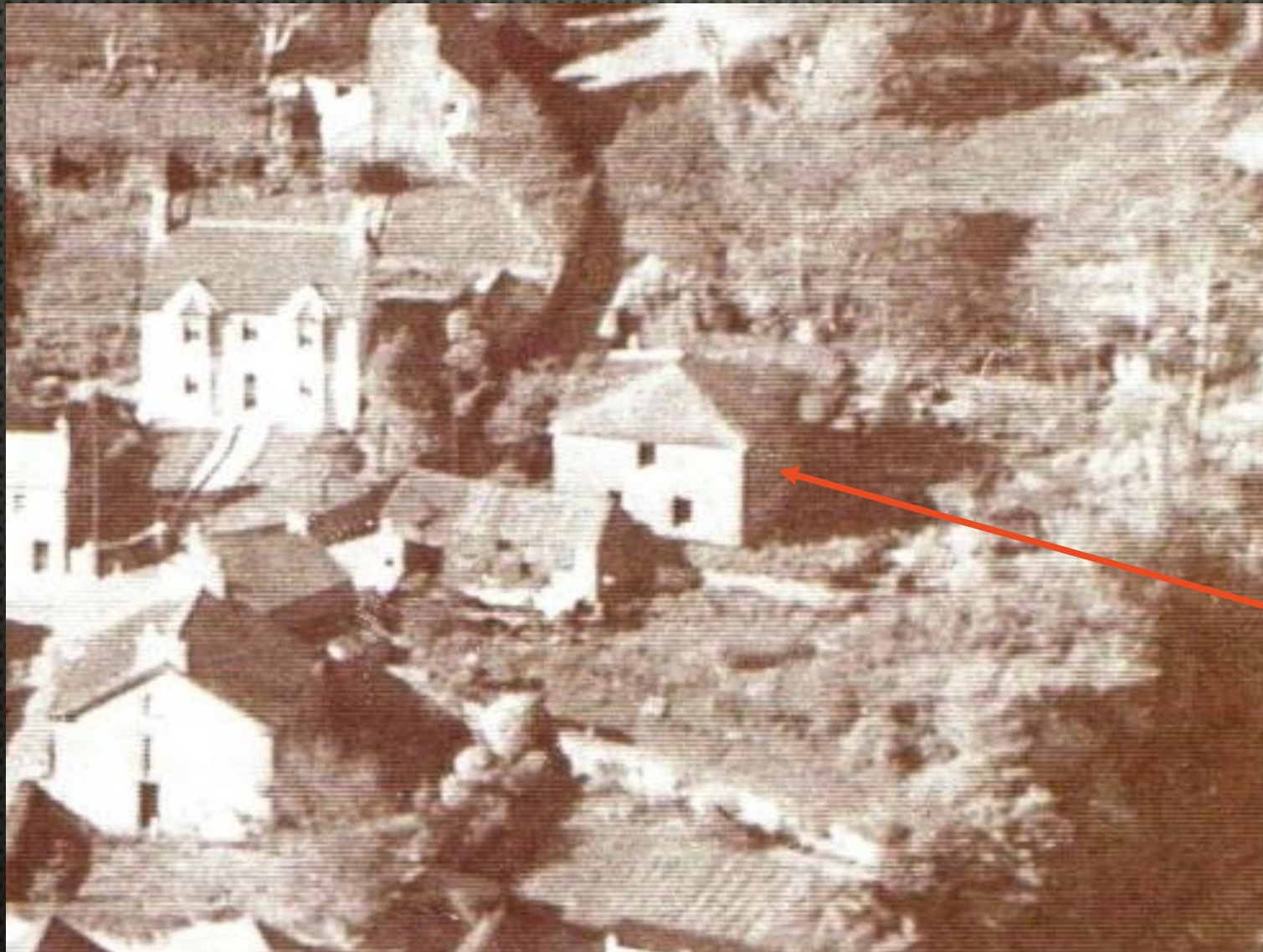


The Quaker congregation had dwindled and the Rev. Mark Evans negotiated the site for use by the Congregationists, in place of The Bache. The 1889 map shows it as the new Independent Chapel.

Old cliff chapel,
laugharne (cont,)

The transfer was made and paid for by the widow of Col. Starke, whose friend was a Miss Baker – who soon after became the Rev Mark Evans' wife!

The chapel was then rebuilt as shown here for use by the Independent Congregation-
-alists.



Old cliff chapel,
laugharne (cont,)

Today the site is a graveyard affording stunning views over the estuary, but the chapel continued in use until the 1890s and was still standing in 1918.

